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Parents and Children, by Charlotte M. Mason (Kegan Paul and Co., 8vo, pp. xii. 429, 6s.), a sequel to "Home Education," by the same author, seeks to impress upon parents their responsibilities and duties in the early training of children, both as regards the formation of habit and the awakening of the intellectual and spiritual sides of their nature. The essays contain much sound doctrine, but they would have gained greatly by compression. Much that is said must be obvious to any reflective parent, and the unreflecting parent will scarcely be persuaded to grapple with so formidable a volume.

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A useful treatise on education of a general rather than technical nature, is "Parents and Children," by Charlotte M. Mason (Kegan, Paul, and Co.), a copy of which is forwarded by Messrs. Angus and Robertson. This collection of essays, which forms a sequel to the same author's "Home Education," contains many which have already appeared in the "Parents' Review," and were addressed from time to time to a body of parents who are making a practical study of the principles of education—the "Parents' National Educational Union." "Home Education" was really the means of originating this union of parents. Mrs. Mason is pleasantly free from dogmatism of any kind. At the same time she believes in a definite school of educational thought, of which the two main principles are the recognition of the physical basis of habit, i.e., of the material side of education; and of the inspiring and formative power of the Idea, i.e., of the immaterial, or spiritual, side of education. "The Latin Kingdom of Jerusalem" from 1099 to 1291 A.D., by Lieutenant-Colonel C. R. Conder, LL.D., R.E., etc., etc., is published by the committee of the Palestine Exploration Fund. Here we may find, traced in simple but expressive language, the curious social conditions resulting from the establishment of a feudal society amid Oriental surroundings, as well as the growth of civilisation during two centuries of Latin rule.

